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**AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Sir:

Applicants submit the following amendment in response to the outstanding Office Action dated 20 August 2001. Please amend the above-referenced application as provided below.

**In the claims:**

(NE)  
done in app  
Please cancel claim 34 without prejudice.

Please amend claims 1, 7, 18, 22, 26, 27, 29 and 31 to read as follows:

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